



The *Library Connection* online newsletter provides the public with information about upcoming events, major programs and other news of the City of San Diego Public Library. Anyone can sign up for this free monthly email announcement by visiting the Library on the City's website at [www.sandiegolibrary.org](http://www.sandiegolibrary.org) and clicking on "News & Events."

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## **LIBRARIES – AVAILABLE WHEN YOU NEED ONE!!**

As San Diego rebuilds from the recent wildfires, the City of San Diego Public Libraries stand ready with free information, resources, Internet access and programming. "There are many displaced San Diegans in need of Internet access and other resources their Library is ready to provide," said San Diego Public Library Director Anna Tatár. "I encourage these people to visit their closest library branch." Internet access is available at all Libraries.



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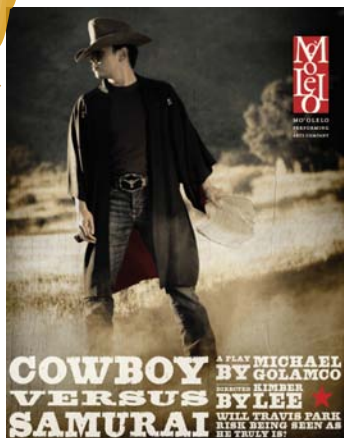
## *Wildfires of 2007 Through the Eyes of Children*



How do you keep a lively group of 35 kids, ages 6 – 13, constructively busy at the library after school and give them the opportunity to express their feelings about the horrendous fires burning in San Diego the week of October 22? Kim Schmidt, the Youth Services Librarian at Malcolm X, came up with the perfect answer. Ask the kids to create pictures that illustrate how they feel about the terrible events happening around them. Children who live near the Valencia Park/Malcolm X Branch Library were not threatened with losing their homes to the fires, but they experienced fear and anxiety created by media images and from listening to adults talk about the crisis and worry about friends and relatives who were evacuated. Some of their work is pictured above.

**Fire Art on Exhibit, Month of November during Library open hours**  
Valencia Park/Malcolm X Branch Library  
5148 Market Street, 619-527-3405

## COWBOY Versus SAMURAI



Mo'olelo Performing Arts Company is partnering with the San Diego Public Library to provide an opportunity to experience literature, live theatre and the world of literary re-invention through a brilliantly funny new play, *Cowboy Versus Samurai*, by Asian American playwright Michael Golamco,

which retells the story of Edmond Rostand's *Cyrano de Bergerac*.

**The play runs November 29 through December 16, 10th Ave. Theatre, 930 10th Ave.**

**San Diego Public Library  
Night at the Theater**

**December 7 at 7:30 p.m. \$3 Discount for Library Cardholders.** Performance followed with Discussion by Director.

**Central Library Events  
820 E Street, Downtown, 619-291-5552**

**November 14 at 6:30 p.m. "Behind The Scenes"** Sneak preview; stories about the road to opening night; discussion of the *Cowboy* connection to *Cyrano*; special ticket offers.

**November 25 at 2 p.m. Screening of film, *Cyrano de Bergerac*** offers a basis for comparison to the themes that arise in Golamco's contemporary play. Copies of both plays are available in Literature Section, 619-236-5816, or place a hold online at [www.sandiegolibrary.org](http://www.sandiegolibrary.org).

### Even More Great Events and Programs!

For the very latest information about Library events, exhibits, activities and other programs, visit your local library or check out the Library on the City's website at:

<http://www.sandiegolibrary.org>



## CELEBRATE AMERICAN INDIAN HERITAGE MONTH



Experience history and culture with Native American Indian Dancer Eric Runningpath. Intertribal dancing styles reflect the cultures of Plains, California, Navajo, Kumeeyay, and other Indian tribes.

**Tuesday, November 27 at 10 a.m.**

Linda Vista Branch Library  
2160 Ulric St., 858-573-1399

## Running Grunion California Indian Storyteller



Native American/Californio Abel Silvas, a historian, mime, actor, comedian and storyteller utilizes his talents to create the award-winning, comedic, one-man show "Running Grunion." His stories reveal what life was like for his family during different times in California history.

**Wednesday, November 7 at 6:30 p.m.**

Rancho Peñasquitos Branch Library  
13330 Salmon River Rd., 858-538-8159



# Naked Addiction

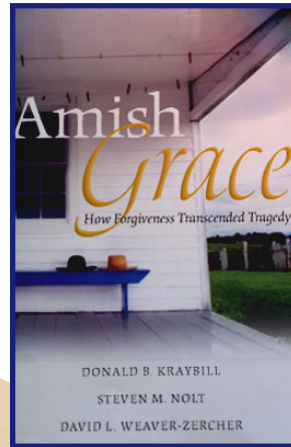


Local Author, Caitlin Rother will speak about her new thriller at La Jolla/Riford Branch Library on November 10. *Naked Addiction* takes place in La Jolla and Pacific Beach and features a San Diego Police Department Detective. Many local hangouts such as Windansea, the Pannikin and Harry's Coffee Shop are featured.

**Saturday, November 10 at 2 p.m.**

La Jolla/Riford Branch Library  
7555 Draper Ave, 858-552-1657

# Amish Grace: How Forgiveness Transcended Tragedy



On October 2, 2006, a gunman entered an Amish school in Nickel Mines, PA. Ordering the boys and adults to leave, he opened fire on the 10 remaining girls, killing five and critically wounding the others, before shooting himself.

Before the sun set that awful day, members of the Amish community brought words of forgiveness to the family of the one who had slain their children. The outside world was incredulous that forgiveness could be offered so quickly. How could the Amish forgive so swiftly? What did this act mean to them? And how might their story provide lessons for the rest of us? *Amish Grace* explores these questions.

KPBS, The Fetzer Institute's Campaign for Love & Forgiveness and the San Diego Public Library will host David L. Weaver-Zercher, one of the authors of this significant book, at Central Library on November 19. Bill Moyers has described this work as, "a story our polarized country needs to hear: It is still grace that saves."



**Monday, November 19 at 6:30 p.m.**

Central Library, Third Floor Auditorium  
820 E Street, Downtown, 619-236-5800

# Where are the Flower Children?



As Baby Boomers reach their 50s and 60s, many have begun to reflect upon their pasts. "What happened to the Vietnam protesters?" "Where are they now?" "What, if anything, did the upheaval of the late 1960s/early 70s contribute to society?" The answers to

these questions can be found in the interviews, narratives, and photos of Sandra Gurvis' book *Where Have All the Flower Children Gone?* (University Press of Mississippi, 2006). The author will speak November 28, at Central Library.



**Wednesday, November 28 at 6:30 p.m.**

Central Library, Third Floor Auditorium  
Downtown, 820 E Street, 619-236-5800

## Free Parking For Central Library Patrons

### When:

Saturdays - 9:30AM - 5:30PM

Sundays - 1 PM - 5 PM

### Where:

**5 Star Parking** lot, adjacent to the Library at the southeast corner of Broadway & Eighth Avenue. Enter the lot from Eighth Avenue. The Library thanks **5 Star Parking** for making this free parking available.

Additionally, parking meters are not enforced on Sundays and after 6 PM on weekdays and Saturdays.

## Logan Heights Groundbreaking

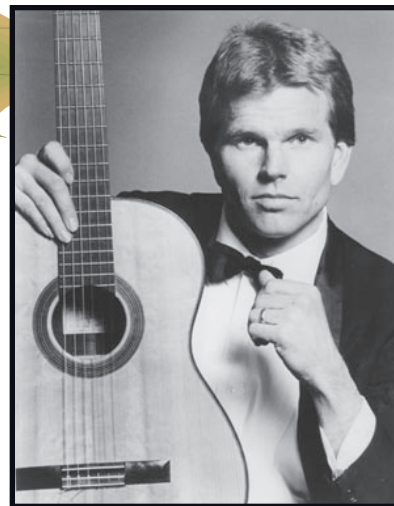


Mayor Jerry Sanders, Councilmember Ben Hueso, The Board of Library Commissioners and the City of San Diego Public Library invite you to attend the Ground-breaking Ceremony for the New Logan Heights Branch Library on November 8. This Library is a joint use project with the San Diego Unified School District and was made possible by a state grant of \$5.35 million, First 5 Commission of San Diego County, developer fees and federal funding.

**Thursday, November 8 at 10:30 p.m.**

567 South 28th St at Ocean View Boulevard  
(located on the Logan Elementary School site,  
adjacent to the Memorial Charter Middle School)

## Classical Guitarist to Perform at La Jolla/Riford Library



William Feasley is rapidly becoming recognized as one of today's top classical guitarists. He is the first guitarist to be awarded the Peabody Conservatory's coveted Artist Diploma and has since won many prizes and awards.

**Friday, November 9 at 3 p.m.**

La Jolla/Riford Branch Library  
7555 Draper Ave., 858-552-1657

## Central Library Final Fall Concert

The sixth and final concert will be presented in November as part of the Fall Concert Series.

The concert will feature Miho Gary, pianist; Matt Gill, clarinet; Janet Mathews, viola; and Carol Tolbert, cello, who will present trios by C.P.E. Bach, Louise Farrenc, and Robert Schumann.

**Sunday, November 4 at 2:30 p.m.**

Central Library, Third Floor Auditorium  
820 E Street, Downtown, 619-236-5800

**FREE Bus/Trolley for Kids  
Saturdays and Sundays  
(in the City of San Diego only)**

Two children between the ages of 6 and 12, who are accompanied by an adult using the transit system (in the City of San Diego only), can ride free on Saturdays and Sundays -- a savings of \$1.75 to \$2.50 each way.

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## Libraries Closed for Holidays

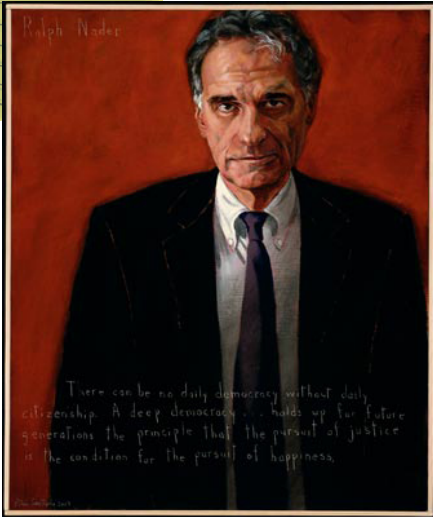
All San Diego Public Library locations will be closed on both Monday, Nov. 12, in observance of **Veterans' Day**; and Thursday, Nov. 22, for **Thanksgiving Day**. As a convenience for patrons, book drops at all libraries will remain open to return books and other materials.



## Films Showing at Central Library Auditorium during November

### An Unreasonable Man

Whoever said “One person can make a difference” must have been talking about Ralph Nader. For more than 40 years Nader has been taking on big business and corporate America all in the name of the people. Lately this consumer advocate’s halo has been a bit tarnished. Is he a hero? A villain? A principled man? Or an egomaniac? You decide at this film screening.



**November 18 at 2 p.m.**

820 E Street, Downtown, 619-236-5800

### Latino Stories of WWII Addresses Exclusion of Latinos in PBS Film

During WWII Latinos served this nation in disproportionate numbers, joining every branch of military service, fighting bravely and with distinction in both the European and Pacific theaters-and often on the front lines of some of the war’s bloodiest battles.

This film and the following discussion, led by director Mario Barrera, Ph.D. and Jorge Mariscal, Ph.D., endeavor to educate the public on the numerous, yet largely unrecognized, contributions Latinos made in that great effort.

**Monday, November 5 at 6:30 p.m.**

820 E Street, Downtown, 619-236-5800

### LIBBY, MONTANA (POV Film)

Since 1988, PBS POV (**P**oint **O**f **V**iew) series has brought the best of independent documentaries to a national audience, featuring the work of America’s innovative documentary filmmakers to bring communities together in conversation about today’s most pressing social problems.



Nestled below the rugged peaks of the Northern Rockies in Montana — as iconic a representation of America’s “purple mountain majesties” as one can find — lies the worst case of community-wide exposure to a toxic substance in U.S. history. In the small town of Libby, many hundreds of people are sick or have already died from asbestos exposure. This film takes a journey into a blue-collar community and finds a reality in which the American Dream exacts a terrible price.

**Wednesday, November 7 at 6:30 p.m.**

820 E Street, Downtown, 619-236-5800

### Free Films at Libraries



The Library presents a variety of free films, many of which are independent or foreign films not widely distributed. Others are classic and family-friendly movies. For more information about films being shown, visit the Calendar of Events section on the Library’s website at [www.sandiegolibrary.org](http://www.sandiegolibrary.org).